

STUDENT SUCCESS STORY

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Enhanced WebAssign® Helps Busy, Visual Learner Study Independently and Gain Understanding of Difficult Concepts

Jaber Hussaini has a medical school goal in mind, and he knows that requires hard work, tenacity, and focus. As a full-time student at Wharton County, Jaber is deep into the tough work his goal requires: courses like anatomy, physiology, biology I and II, and calculus. He is also taking summer classes.

Because of the demands of his course load, Jaber quit working and now focuses on classes, studying, and trips to the gym. He's an 'intermediate' technology user, and most of his courses are lecture style, with plenty of homework and studying outside of class.

THE CHALLENGES

As a visual learner, reading can be difficult for Jaber, especially when long chapters and excessive material are assigned. He naturally tries to avoid reading during study as he knows he has trouble staying focused and gets easily distracted. Facebook and other diversions can derail his study time, so he tries to study in quiet places, like the library, and use methods other than hours of reading.

Additionally, his major calls for some very difficult classes, which require more attention and time. While he understands the need to study and produce significant homework, he isn't fond of excessive homework as 'busywork', or for a professor to assign too much to prove how hard the class will be; Jaber appreciates the courses that have just enough homework to back up what the lessons learned in lecture are all about.

ENHANCED WEBASSIGN® FACILITATES VISUAL LEARNING STYLE, MAKES STUDY MORE ORGANIZED AND EFFICIENT

After his Calculus professor required *Enhanced WebAssign* as a resource with James Stewart's *Calculus*, 7th ed., Jaber purchased access through CengageBrain.com and dove in without hesitation. He found *Enhanced WebAssign* to be helpful and an "overall good experience. The design of the program was easy to understand, and it made it a lot easier to find past and current assignments." As a visual learner, Jaber appreciated the way *Enhanced WebAssign* allows him to watch videos and then attempt the questions. "If I couldn't figure it out, the videos would open up after I made an attempt or two." The videos proved to be a time saver for him as well, because he spent less time learning the material after watching the videos.

He also found *Enhanced WebAssign's* instant feedback helpful, and realized that he didn't need his instructor's assistance as much as he may have otherwise. He was able to study more independently, especially because his instructor took the time to work some in-class assignments using *Enhanced WebAssign*, which allowed him to ask specific questions there and later use the program to get assignments done.



"Enhanced WebAssign is easy to access, understand and follow, and there is no chance to lose any homework. It helped me succeed in the course."

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